GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:899
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SETTING UP OF NEW ENGINE PLANT IN MAHARASHTRA
Kalmadi Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the General Motors has formalized an agreement to build a new engine plant in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the investment to be made in the said project;

(c) the time by which it is likely to be completed alongwith the progress made therein till date;

(d) the extent of Indian stake in the project; and

(e) the incentives and concessions provided/proposed to be provided to General Motors for building this facility in India?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI RAGHUNATH JHA)

(a)&(b): Yes Sir. As per the information received from the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM),General Motors India has signed an agreement with the Government of Maharashtra on 28th August 2008 to set up an engine plant with an investment over $200 million. This is in addition to over $300 million invested in the car manufacturing plant at Talegaon.The total investment of car manufacturing and engine plants is now over $500 million.

(c): Construction of the new engine plant is in full swing and the plant is expected to be commissioned sometime during the end of next year.The car plant at Talegaon was inaugurated on 2nd September,2008 and is now rolling out mini car Spark from there.

(d):The plant is being set up by General Motors India Private Limited which is a wholly owned subsidiary of General Motors Corporation of USA,registered in India.

(e): The required information is being collected from the Government of Maharastra.